THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) to (c) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have reported that they had appointed an Expert Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri D.R. Mehta, the they Deputy Governor, RBI to review the Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) and to recommend suitable measures for strengthening it with a view to make it more effective for alleviation of Poverty. Pursuant to the interim report of the Committee, the scheme has been modified to provide a substantially higher finance package to groups of persons. The subsidy is now back-ended and the celling on the programme infastructure has been enhanced.

Demand of News-Casters Association to press for pay hike etc.

365. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR :
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian News-Casters Association has been agitating to press their demands for pay-hike and better working conditions;

(b) if so, what are their precise demands; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

To erect and develop infrastructure for Civil Aviation in Gujarat

366. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) what target has been fixed to erect and develop infrastructure for Civil Aviation in Gujarat during VIIIth Five Year Plan;

(b) what amount has been allocated for this purpose; and

(c) what are the year-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (c) A statement in attached.

Statement

Development of Civil Aviation Infrastructure in Gujarat during VIII Five Year Plan

	STATION/SCHEMES	EST. COST	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE (PROVISIONAL)				B.E
			92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96 97
							(RS. IN LAKHS)
1.	AHMEDABAD	800	306.75	2046.50	127.50		100
	Extn. of runwy upto 11500 ft. Various Aeronautical Communication equipments	2972.00					362.00
2.	VADODARA						
	Constn. of new terminal bldg. Extn.	1486.00	150.00	358.00	328.00	271.57	350.00
	of new apron & additional taxitrack	245.75				118.45	96.00
	constn. of Tech Block & control tower Compound wall Various	87.06					68.00
		177.00		35.34	59.66	80.22	
	Aeronautical Communication equipments	295.00				85.00	210.00